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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: A METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING CLOSED AREAS AND DEFINING MASKS IN A

DIGITAL IMAGE

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)," for the above application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors. Also enclosed please find an Assignment Document and an Information Disclosure Statement with form PTO-1449.

Checks for the statutory fee of \$130.00 and Assignment Recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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